

May 15, 2008

TO: Task Force on Higher Education Remediation, Retention and Graduation Rates

FROM: K-12 Sub-Committee

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Background Information:

The K-12 sub-committee members are: Senator Dave Bisbee, Dr. Tom Kimbrell, Mr. Dan Marzoni, and Dr. Kenneth James. As a point of reference, the committee met on two occasions and communicated by email and phone periodically.

In terms of the final report submitted by the K-12 sub-committee, it is pertinent to point out that the committee was split by a vote of 2-2 on the following recommendation:

**The removal of the *Smart Core opt-out* clause, effective with the 2015-16 school year.**

The sub-committee unanimously supported the other recommendations contained in the report.

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